

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

Return to: Secretary of State, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501-5077

1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER THE BOWDLE PIONEER		2. DATE OF FILING 10/05/00	
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE WEEKLY	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY 52	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION 22.00 PRICE 24.00 SD OTHER	
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers) 3039 MAIN ST, BOX 368, BOWDLE, EDMUNDS COUNTY, SD 57428-0368			
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printer) 3039 MAIN ST, BOX 368, BOWDLE, EDMUNDS COUNTY, SD 57428-0368			
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: MARY LOU GAUER			
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.) FULL NAME MARY LOU GAUER COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS BOX 368, BOWDLE SD 57428-0368			
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGEES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form)			
9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION (See instructions on reverse side)			
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)		AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUE D PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUE NEAREST TO FILING DATE
		700	700
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION			
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales		40	40
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)		611	600
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 10B1 and 10B2)		651	640
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS		7	6
SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY, AND OTHER FREE COPIES		0	0
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C and D)		658	646
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED			
1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing		42	54
2. Return from News Agents		0	0
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and 2 -- should equal net press run shown in A)		700	700
I swear that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.		SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER OR OWNER <i>Mary Lou Gauer, Publisher</i>	

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County of Edmunds

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Form: SOS REC 051 01/03

Sworn to before me this 5th day ofOctober, 2000

Notary Public

My commission expires May 3, 2004

JOHN G. THURN

Notary Public, South Dakota
My Commission Expires May 3, 2004